## H. Res. 948

## In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

March 11, 2008.

- Whereas on January 3, 2008, the University of Kansas (KU) football team won the 2008 FedEx Orange Bowl, defeating Virginia Tech by a score of 24 to 21 for the first major bowl victory in university history;
- Whereas the KU football team won 12 games this season to set a school record;
- Whereas KU ranked seventh in the final Top 25 polls released on January 8, 2008, for the second highest final ranking in school history (the school ranked sixth in 1968);
- Whereas the KU football team reached a number 2 ranking on November 18, 2007, their highest national ranking in program history;
- Whereas the KU team set the school record for points, an average of 42.77 points per game, and total yards (479.77 yards);
- Whereas KU was the only school in the country to rank in the top 5 nationally in both scoring offense (second) and scoring defense (fifth);
- Whereas Head Coach Mark Mangino was awarded multiple national coach of the year honors;

- Whereas Head Coach Mark Mangino has produced a minimum of 6 wins in 3 straight seasons for the first time in 46 years for the KU football program;
- Whereas the KU football team produced 2 first-team All-Americans, cornerback Aqib Talib and offensive tackle Anthony Collins, and 1 second-team All-American in defensive tackle James McClinton; and
- Whereas the KU football team was also honored to have 2 Academic All-America recipients on the team, Russell Brorsen and John Larson: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

- (1) congratulates and commends the University of Kansas football team for winning the 2008 FedEx Orange Bowl and for having the most successful year in program history;
- (2) recognizes the significant achievements of the players, coaches, students, alumni, and support staff whose dedication and hard work helped the University of Kansas football team win the FedEx Orange Bowl; and
- (3) respectfully requests the Clerk of the House of Representatives to transmit enrolled copies of this resolution to the following individuals for display:
  - (A) Robert Hemenway, Chancellor of the University of Kansas.
  - (B) Richard Lariviere, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor of the University of Kansas.

- (C) Lew Perkins, Athletics Director of the University of Kansas.
  - (D) Mark Mangino, Head Coach.

Attest:

Clerk.